

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPLICANT:** Ismat Ali Abu-Isa      **EXAMINER:** O'Neill, Karie A.  
**SERIAL NO.:** 10/771,972      **GROUP ART UNIT:** 1745  
**FILED:** February 4, 2004      **ATTY DOCK. NO.:** 60,726-037  
**FOR:** FIRE SHIELDING BATTERY CASE

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**Mailstop Amendment – No Fee**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement presented in the Office Action dated November 1, 2006, Applicant elects Species I, claims 1 through 14, without traverse. Claims 1 through 14 are drawn to a battery case wherein at least one of the base portion and the cover portion includes a vent hole through which evolved gases are permitted to escape. Applicant believes that no additional fees are required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard Attorneys for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

**HOWARD & HOWARD ATTORNEYS, P.C.**

**November 22, 2006**  
Date

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